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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (SPELLING OF CHEN I-SHENG TO CHEN I-SUNG WHEREVER APPEARING IN TELEGRAM)

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SUBJ: WHEREABOUTS AND IDENTITY OF CHEN I-SUNG

REF: TAIPEI 1318

PRC OWNED HONG KONG DAILIES TA KUNG PAO AND WEN WEI PAO ON MARCH 4 CARRIED FULL CHINESE TEXT OF SPEECH GIVEN BY "NOTED PERSONAGE OF TAIWAN PROVINCE "CHEN I-SUNG (7 115/6654/2646)
AT FEBRUARY 28 PEKING COMMEMORATION AS REPORTED BY NCNA MARCH 3 (COPIES AND TRANSLATIONS BEING POUCHED).
EXCERPTS REPORTED BY FBIS (REFTEL) MATCHES VARIOUS PORTIONS NCNA TEXT OF CHEN'S SPEECH. IN ADDITION TO PREDICTABLE STRESS ON ALLEGED DEPLORABLE ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN TAIWAN, FOREIGN CAPITALISTIC EXPLOITATION, DENUNCIATION OF KMT REGIME AND SACRED DUTY TO REUNITE WITH MOTHERLAND, CHEN MENTIONED HIS ROLE AFTER FEBRUARY 28, 1947 AFFAIR. HE STATES THAT A WORKING COMMITTEE WAS SET UP IN TAIPEI TO HANDLE MATTERS AFTER THE FEBRUARY 28 INCIDENT AND THAT "I WAS ONE OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS." CONFIDENTIAL

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THIS REFERENCE COINCIDES WITH PARA 3 OF REFTEL RE THE FORMER

TAIPEI MAYOR CANDIDATE'S ACTIVITIES AT THAT TIME. THIS FACT AND THE IDENTICAL NAME TELECODES PLUS THE REFERENCE TO "HAVING RETURNED TO THE MAINLAND...NOT LONG AGO" ALL STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT THE CHEN I-SUNG WHO SPOKE AT THE PEKING COMMEMORATION IS THE SAME PERSON DESCRIBED IN REFTEL.

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